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1. FOLLOWING OFFICIAL GOE ACCUSATIONS THAT LEFTISTS INSTIGATED JAN 1 RIOTS (CAIRO 089), THREE EGYPTIANS JOURNALISTS WELL KNOWN TO BE MEMBERS OF COMMUNIST PARTY HAVE WRITTEN ARTICLES DEFENDING THE TRADITIONAL LEFTISTS (I.E., THEMSELVES).

2. ABD AL-RAHMAN AL-SHARQAWI IN ROSE AL-YUSUF JAN 6, LUTFI AL-KHULI IN AHRAM JAN 8, AND KHALID MUHI AL-DIN IN AKHBAR JAN 9, ALL MADE BASIC POINT THAT GENUINE EGYPTIAN LEFTISTS ARE ALSO NATIONALISTS AND "REJECT SABATOGE". MUHI AL-DIN COMMENTED THAT HISTORICALLY IT WAS EGYPTIAN RIGHT WHICH RESORTED TO SABOTAGE AND TERRORISM. IN LETTER TO AKHBAR EDITOR HE COMPLAINED THAT THE NEWSPAPER'S "ACCUSATION" OF THE LEFT IS UNACCEPTABLE EFFORT TO WHIP UP FEELING AGAINST IT.
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